## **CONTENT STANDARD 7: Political Systems**

Students will explain that political systems emanate from the need of humans for order, leading to compromise and the establishment of authority.

K-2	3-4	5-6	7-8	9-10	11-12
7.K-2.1 Identify protection of individual rights and promotion of the common good; and 7.K-2.2 Identify what governments can and cannot do.	<ul> <li>7.3-4.1 Define power and authority and how they evolve into government.</li> <li>7.3-4.2 Describe the need for a limited government so that people can be treated fairly.</li> <li>7.3-4.3 Define and describe government in terms of people and groups who apply and enforce rules and laws; and</li> <li>7.3-4.4 Explain that it is important to limit government so that individual rights can be protected.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>7.5-6.1 Describe and compare unlimited and limited government.</li> <li>7.5-6.2 Explain the meaning of civic life, politics and government.</li> <li>7.5-6.3 Compare and evaluate forms of government found outside the United States; and</li> <li>7.5-6.4 Describe the role of the U.S. Constitution in the limitation of government powers.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>7.7-8.1 Describe and compare unlimited and limited government.</li> <li>7.7-8.2 Explain the meaning of civic life, politics, and government.</li> <li>7.7-8.3 Compare and evaluate forms of government found outside the United States; and</li> <li>7.7-8.4 Describe the role of the U.S. Constitution of the limitation of government powers.</li> </ul>	7.9-10.1 Evaluate the importance of developing self-government so as to restrict arbitrary power. 7.9-10.2 Analyze and evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of limited and unlimited government; and 7.9-10.3 Describe how constitutions may limit government in order to protect individual rights and promote the common good.	7.11-12.1 Compare two or more constitutions and how they promote the principles of their respective political systems and provide the basis for government.  7.11-12.2 Explain how purposes served by government have implications for the individual and society; and  7.11-12.3 Provide examples of legitimate authority and exercise of power without authority.